**God’s Word: The Fuel of Godly Living**

**(2 Peter 1:16-21)**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**1.** Why do you think Peter wanted his readers to know that he had not “followed cleverly devised myths”? What myths, legends, etc. were in circulation at the time of Peter’s writing? What myths, legends, etc. concerning the Person and work of Jesus Christ are in circulation today?

**2.** Read Matthew 17:1-8. What did Peter witness on the mountain? How does he describe it in today’s passage (2 Pet. 1:16-18)? Specifically, how does he describe the vision of Christ that he was privileged to see?

**3.** In what way(s) is the Person and work of Christ “more fully confirmed” in the Word of God? Cite 3 Old Testament prophecies that were fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

**4.** How does Peter describe the way in which the Holy Spirit worked through human authors to produce Scripture? In what way(s) is this different from dictation (i.e., God bypassing the human author’s personality and style)?

**5.** What is Peter aiming for when he calls for his readers to pay attention to Scripture “until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your heart”? What does this say about the (ultimate) goal of reading, studying, memorizing, and meditating upon God’s Word? Explain how the following passages help us understand the supernatural aspect of understanding, loving, and obeying God’s Word – 1 Corinthians 2:14-16; 2 Corinthians 3:18, 4:4-6.

**6.** How does the process of *revelation and response* work in your life as you study God’s Word? Do you treat Scripture like a road map or a treasure map? Why? In what way(s) do you seek to behold the majesty, glory, and supremacy of Jesus Christ in all of Scripture (see Luke 24:44)? How does seeing Christ’s beauty move you to pursue godliness and perseverance?